

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Richard J. Guetty

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Group Art Unit: 3734

Examiner: Erin L. Colello

Docket No.: 80712-1110

For: **KIT FOR THE INSERTION OF AN
INTRAGASTRIC IMPLANT, CASE FOR
INSERTING SUCH AN IMPLANT, AND
CORRESPONDING PRODUCTION METHOD**

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop: Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The outstanding Final Office Action mailed January 19, 2011 has been carefully considered. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.114, a Request for Continued Examination is filed concurrently with this response so that the final Office Action is now effectively made non-final. In response thereto, please enter the following amendments and remarks. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and presently pending claims, as amended, are respectfully requested.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is believed that no extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 20-0778.